

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel all claims and insert new claims as follows;

WE CLAIM:

- 5 9. A method for handling intelligent network calls, comprising the steps of:
- 10 providing a switching center having a server, a basic network and an intelligent network having a service platform, said basic network being based on the intelligent network;
- 15 receiving a query at the server of the switching center from the basic network, said query relating to a received call by the basic network, in said server utilizing information contained in the query for determining whether the received call requires said intelligent network to support handling of the received call, and if so;
- 20 passing the query to said service platform of the intelligent network so that the query appears to the service platform to come from the switching center.
10. A method according to claim 9, further comprising the step of:
- 25 evaluating an Intelligent Network Application part of a signaling message part of the query for a determination of a network operator.

a1 11. A method according to claim 9, further comprising the step of:

5 evaluating a Signaling Connection Control Part of a signaling message part of the query for a determination of a network operator.

12. A method according to claim 9, wherein said query is being transmitted by utilizing a signaling system no. 7.

10 13. A method according to claim 9, wherein said query is being transmitted by utilizing an Internet Protocol based network.

14. A method according to claim 10, further comprising the steps of:

15 responding to the query via a Number Portability server stating a routing information relating to a gateway of the net work operator, provided that the received call is not being initiated in the basic network, and if so;

passing the received call to said gateway.

20 15. A system for handling a network call, comprising:

a server;

a switching center;

an intelligent network with a service platform; and

25 a basic network being based on the intelligent network;

said server receiving a query from the switching center of the basic network, said query relating to a call received by the basic network,
said server utilizing information contained in the query for determining whether the intelligent network supports the call, and if so,
said server passing the query to the service platform.

10 responding via the server to the query by stating
routing information relating to a gateway in the basic
network provided that the call is not being initiated in
the basic network.